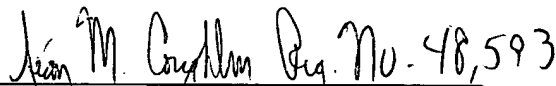


**Remarks**

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-23 will be pending in the application. No new matter is added. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding this amendment and/or these remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-139CON (Cura-439CON).

Respectfully submitted,

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